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TECHNICAL NOTES

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FOREST AREA IN WISCONSIN COUNTIES

The forests of Wisconsin in 1956 totaled 15.6 million acres. All but about 1 percent of this area is commercial forest land capable of producing usable crops of wood.

Forests occupy 44.5 percent of the total land area. By county, forest area ranges from 90 percent of the land area in Forest County to 3 percent in Milwaukee County. Douglas County with 684,900 acres of forest land had the largest amount, while Milwaukee County with 4,600 forested acres had the least.

Forest area and other forest resource information are results from a cooperative forest survey conducted by the Forest Service, U. S. Department of Agriculture, and the Wisconsin Conservation Department with participation by forest industries, northern counties, and other public agencies in some areas. Additional information about the timber resources of Wisconsin is available from the Wisconsin Conservation Department and the Lake States Forest Experiment Station.

County	: Total : land : area ^{1/}	: : Total :	Forest land ^{2/} : Commercial ^{3/}	: Non- : commercial ^{4/}	: Total forest : as a percent : of county area
	M acres	M acres	M acres	M acres	Percent
Adams	433.3	249.2	246.8	2.4	57.5
Ashland	663.7	562.4	553.7	8.7	84.7
Barron	554.2	151.7	151.7	-	27.4
Bayfield	943.4	795.7	792.7	3.0	84.3
Brown	336.0	46.3	46.3	-	13.8
Buffalo	455.7	189.1	188.5	.6	41.5
Burnett	537.6	360.3	359.7	.6	67.0
Calumet	201.6	24.0	24.0	-	11.9
Chippewa	656.0	248.2	245.4	2.8	37.8
Clark	782.1	306.7	293.0	13.7	39.2
Columbia	497.9	120.5	120.5	-	24.2
Crawford	375.0	182.8	182.8	-	48.7
Dane	766.1	67.8	67.8	-	8.9
Dodge	570.9	31.2	31.2	-	5.5
Door	314.2	104.2	104.2	-	33.2
Douglas	838.4	684.9	681.4	3.5	81.7
Dunn	549.1	165.2	165.2	-	30.1
Eau Claire	415.4	167.4	165.3	2.1	40.3
Florence	313.0	276.8	271.3	5.5	88.5
Fond du Lac	463.4	34.2	33.3	.9	7.4
Forest	646.4	584.1	564.9	19.2	90.4
Grant	747.5	201.4	201.4	-	26.9
Green	375.0	25.7	25.7	-	6.8
Green Lake	227.2	26.4	26.4	-	11.6
Iowa	487.0	124.7	124.7	-	25.6
Iron	477.4	416.5	413.3	3.2	87.2
Jackson	640.0	353.7	325.0	28.7	55.3
Jefferson	361.0	32.6	32.6	-	9.0
Juneau	508.8	286.6	286.0	.6	56.3
Kenosha	174.7	11.3	11.3	-	6.5

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	:	Total	:	Forest land ^{2/}		:	Total forest
County	:	land	:	Total	:	Non-	as a percent
	:	area ^{1/}	:		:	commercial ^{4/}	of county area

	<u>M acres</u>	<u>M acres</u>	<u>M acres</u>	<u>M acres</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Kewaunee	211.8	37.2	37.2	-	17.6
La Crosse	300.2	121.6	121.6	-	40.5
Lafayette	411.5	36.0	36.0	-	8.7
Langlade	549.1	387.7	384.8	2.9	70.6
Lincoln	576.0	399.9	398.7	1.2	69.4
Manitowoc	377.0	62.2	62.2	-	16.5
Marathon	1,013.8	358.8	358.4	.4	35.4
Marinette	888.3	653.1	651.6	1.5	73.5
Marquette	292.5	86.2	86.2	-	29.5
Milwaukee	153.0	4.6	4.6	-	3.0
Monroe	585.6	273.6	253.7	19.9	46.7
Oconto	707.8	430.6	427.8	2.8	60.8
Oneida	713.0	583.6	581.3	2.3	81.8
Outagamie	405.8	67.5	67.5	-	16.6
Ozaukee	150.4	18.5	18.5	-	12.3
Pepin	151.7	49.1	49.1	-	32.4
Pierce	378.2	89.6	89.6	-	23.7
Polk	597.8	243.4	242.9	.5	40.7
Portage	518.4	150.7	150.7	-	29.1
Price	811.5	645.6	638.6	7.0	79.6
Racine	215.7	15.8	15.8	-	7.3
Richland	373.8	127.8	127.8	-	34.2
Rock	461.4	25.7	25.7	-	5.6
Rusk	582.4	362.3	361.0	1.3	62.2
Sauk	537.6	179.0	179.0	-	33.3
Sawyer	814.7	692.4	671.5	20.9	85.0
Shawano	752.6	403.6	403.5	.1	53.6
Sheboygan	323.8	56.3	56.3	-	17.3
St. Croix	471.0	68.1	68.1	-	14.5
Taylor	626.6	358.6	355.3	3.3	57.2
Trempealeau	473.0	119.2	119.2	-	25.2
Vernon	515.2	178.2	178.2	-	34.6
Vilas	554.9	476.3	472.7	3.6	85.8
Walworth	358.4	34.1	34.1	-	9.5
Washburn	522.2	370.0	370.0	-	70.8
Washington	273.9	39.6	39.6	-	14.5
Waukesha	355.8	38.9	38.9	-	10.9
Waupaca	480.6	147.9	147.6	.3	30.8
Waushara	401.9	131.4	131.4	-	32.7
Winnebago	290.6	17.5	17.5	-	6.0
Wood	519.7	214.0	185.5	28.5	41.2
State total	35,011.2	15,587.8	15,395.8	192.0	44.5

1/ 1950 Bureau of Census--includes bodies of water smaller than 40 acres.

2/ Includes (a) lands that are at least 10 percent stocked by trees of any size and capable of producing timber or other wood products, or of exerting influence on the climate or on the water regime; (b) land from which the trees described in a have been removed to less than 10 percent stocking and which has not been developed for other use; and (c) afforested areas. (Forest tracts of less than 1 acre, isolated strips of timber less than 120 feet wide, and abandoned fields and pastures not yet 10 percent stocked are excluded.) Forest areas of 1 million acres are subject to a sampling error of ± 1.3 percent.

3/ Forest land which is producing or capable of producing operable crops of sawtimber, pulpwood, or products of comparable size and value within 100 years and is not withdrawn from timber utilization.

4/ Forest land (a) withdrawn from timber utilization through statute, ordinance, or administrative order but that otherwise qualifies as commercial forest land, or (b) incapable of yielding usable wood products because of adverse site conditions.